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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to file a formal complaint with the Federal Election Commission concerning Congressman Delay's repeated attempts to solicit money from me under the guise of giving me an "award".

The full name and address of the person filing this complaint ("Complainant") is as follows:

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I received several telephone calls from the Congressman's office indicating that I had been given an award as a local businessman and that I was invited to sit on a congressional advisory committee made up of local businessmen. The return phone number for the phone messages left is 800-650-8375. A woman by the name of Cynthia identified herself as a staff member. Although they gave no clear indication of the name of the Committee, the implication was that it was an actual congressional committee inviting me to participate. At some point during the conversation, I was then asked to pay for an ad in major newspapers supporting various positions of the committee. It became apparent to me that this is nothing more than a political solicitation to pay for advertising supporting the Congressman's point of view. I then asked the caller if this was a political contribution. The caller indicated to me that it was not. I then asked if this was an actual congressional committee and she simply repeated that this was a call from Congressman Delay asking that I participate in his committee. I then asked if they would send me something in the mail. I received nothing in the mail. I have gotten repeated phone calls

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concerning this "award". All of this information is based on my personal knowledge given the phone calls I received in this matter.

I believe this type of fundraising is deceptive. The caller clearly implies that this is some sort of official congressional committee and participation in same is not a political event. Closer questioning reveals that it is in fact nothing more than a solicitation for political contributions. I believe Mr. Delay has exceeded reasonable bounds of fundraising.

Sincerely,



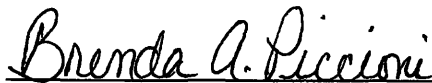
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Sworn to and subscribed

before me this 28th day

of July, 2003.



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